Checking MRP Violations

†*290. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the existing provision regarding percentage of difference to be maintained between actual cost and printed price in regard to packaged consumer goods including food items;

(b) the arrangements made for checking this in order to prevent its violation;

(c) whether any action has been taken by the Central Government on the complaints received during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) There is no provision regarding percentage of difference to be maintained between actual cost and printed price in regard to packaged consumer goods. The Standards of Weights & Measures (Packaged Commodities) Rules, 1977 require declaration of Maximum Retail Price inclusive of all taxes on the package of a pre-packed commodity by the manufacturer or the packer along with other specified information.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Growth rate of Agriculture *vis-a-vis* foodgrain stock

†*291. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of targeted growth rate of agriculture achieved during all the years of Tenth Five Year Plan, so far, alongwith the target fixed for growth rate of agriculture for the remaining years and the efforts being made to achieve the same; and

(b) the status of storage of foodgrains due to non-achieving the required and intended growth rate of agriculture?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a)

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